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Senate Bill _____
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House Bill No.HJR0024
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A RESOLUTION to congratulate Mr. James H. Boyd upon being named "Principal of the Year" in the Shelby County School System..

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those exemplary educators who have given unreservedly of themselves to develop this state's most precious natural resource: our young people; and

WHEREAS, Mr. James H. Boyd, principal at Kirby High School in Memphis, is one such remarkable person, a voice of integrity in education; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Boyd was recently named "Principal of the Year" in the Shelby County School System, an honor most befitting his meritorious service to education and his devotion to the students at Kirby High School; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Boyd received his Bachelor of Science degree in Biology from Lemoyne College in 1955 and began his exemplary career as a teacher in the Shelby County School System in 1959. He later earned his masters +45 from the University of Memphis and has remained with the Shelby County System, serving in various capacities; and

WHEREAS, in 1970, Mr. Boyd left his position as a high school science teacher at Woodstock High School to become an assistant principal at Millington High School. He was

principal of Collierville Middle School from 1977 until he became principal of Bolton High School in 1979. In 1985 he became principal of Kirby High School, a 9-12 suburban school with an enrollment of over 1650 students; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Boyd is an extremely patient and giving person who motivates his students to reach their full potential, perhaps the greatest of all educational gifts; and

WHEREAS, he is a never-ending source of inspiration to those who know and cherish him and is tremendously admired by his students and teachers alike; and

WHEREAS, throughout his outstanding career, James Boyd has given unselfishly of himself in order to perpetuate the public good; this is evidenced by the leadership positions he has held during his professional career, as chairman of the Shelby County Science Teacher Committee, as a member of the SCEA Board of Directors, as vice president of TASSP West Region, and as president of TASSP; and

WHEREAS, to keep abreast of the trends in his profession, Mr. Boyd has remained a member of several professional organizations, including NEA/TCA since 1959, NASSP/TASSP since 1970, and ASCD since 1970; and

WHEREAS, his many honors and accolades aside, Mr. Boyd is most appreciative of the love and support he shares with his wife Inez, a guidance counselor at Central High School in the Memphis School System, and their son Jay, a graduate of Morehouse College and financial analyst for Federal Express; and

WHEREAS, his name is synonymous with hard work, dedication, professionalism, innovation, dexterity, equanimity and positive thinking; and

WHEREAS, highly regarded as a professional and friend, James Boyd is the perfect example of a person totally committed to quality education and the highest ideals of public service, and should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and congratulate Mr. James H. Boyd on being chosen "Principal of the Year"

in the Shelby County School System. We commend his meritorious service to education, salute his expertise and dedication as a principal, and wish him all the best in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation to Mr. Boyd and his family, with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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